

# Peabody Energy Corporation Class Action Lawsuit

U.S. Securities Litigation

## Peabody Complaint Overview

The Peabody class action lawsuit asserts securities fraud claims under Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 on behalf of investors in Peabody common stock. The class action is pending in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri. It is captioned *McGeachy v. Peabody, et al.*, No. 26-cv-01020.

***If you lost money on your Peabody investment, you are encouraged to submit your information using the form on this page. You may also email [adam@bfalaw.com](mailto:adam@bfalaw.com) or call 212.789.3619.***

## Why is Peabody Being Sued for Securities Fraud?

Peabody has been sued for securities fraud following significant stock drops resulting from potential violations of the federal securities laws. The decline in Peabody's stock price caused significant losses to investors.

Peabody is a producer of metallurgic and thermal coal that owns interests in 16 active coal mining operations in the United States and Australia.

According to the complaint, during the relevant period, Peabody announced it would be increasing production from its flagship premium hard coking coal mine, Centurion due to an acceleration of longwall operations. Peabody indicated that shipments of Centurion's premium hard coking coal would expand sevenfold in 2026 to 3.5 million tons and even more beyond that time. On February 5, 2026, Peabody stated that the team was "putting the finishing touches on the Centurion mine in advance of starting longwall mining, well ahead of its original schedule."

As alleged, in truth, the Centurion mine was facing significant commissioning challenges resulting in increased costs and volume decreases in its production.

## Why did Peabody's Stock Drop?

On March 30, 2026, Peabody announced lower sales volume from the Centurion mine due to a delivery of only 250,000 tons in the first quarter. Peabody attributed the low volume to “greater than anticipated mine commissioning challenges.”

This news caused the price of Peabody common stock to drop \$3.82 per share, or 9.7%, from \$39.50 per share on March 27, 2026, to \$35.68 per share on March 30, 2026.

Then, on May 5, 2026, Peabody announced additional delays to the commissioning of the Centurion mine as well as increased costs and lower volume. Peabody stated it only expected to sell about 300,000 tons in the second quarter and reduced its full year sales outlook for Centurion from 3.5 million tons to 2.5 million tons.

This news caused the price of Peabody common stock to drop \$1.52 per share, or 5.7%, from \$26.52 per share on May 4, 2026, to \$25.00 per share on May 5, 2025.

### Peabody (BTU) Stock Chart

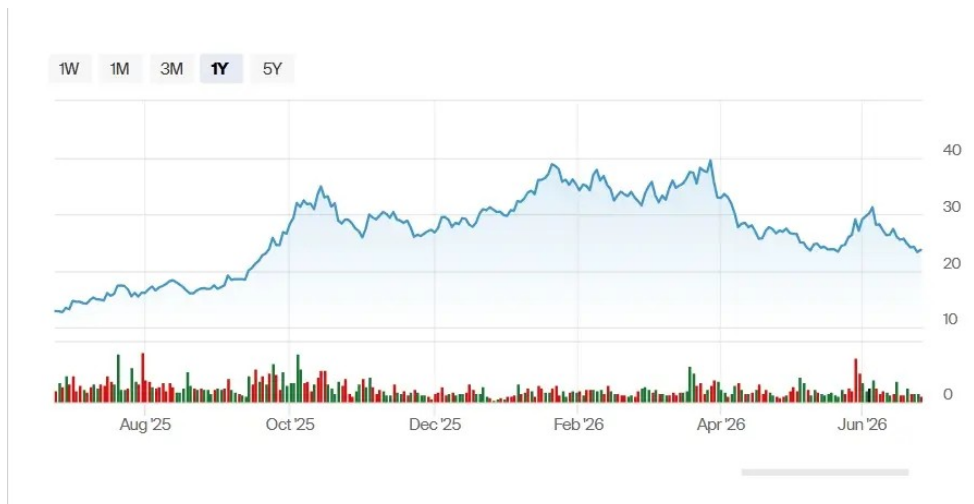


Image Caption: NYSE online chart showing Peabody's (BTU) stock drop following the March and May 2026 revelations.

### What is the Peabody Leadership Deadline?

You may ask the Court no later than August 24, 2026, to appoint you as Lead Plaintiff through counsel of your choice.

To be a member of the Class, you need not take any action at this time. The ability to share in any potential future recovery is not dependent on serving as Lead Plaintiff.

### **How Do I Submit My Information?**

***If you lost money when Peabody common stock dropped in price, you are encouraged to submit your information using the form on this page to speak with an attorney about your rights.***

You can also contact:

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All representation is on a contingency fee basis; there is no cost to you. Shareholders are not responsible for any court costs or expenses of any class action lawsuit. The firm will seek court approval for any potential fees and expenses.

### **Why Bleichmar Fonti & Auld LLP?**

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